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ASSIGNMENT OF NORTH ATLANTIC AIR ROUTES

FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED VIA TELEX DECEMBER 24
FROM PANAM EMPLOYEES IN NETHERLANDS:

QUOTE
THE AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE NETHERLANDS
HIS EXCELLENCY ROBERT MCCLOSKEY
LANGE VOORHOUT
DEN HAAG

DEAR MR MCCLOSKEY

THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM HAS BEEN SENT BY THE DUTCH PANAM
EMPLOYEES TO PRESIDENT CARTER. WE REQUEST YOU URGENTLY TO
SUPPORT OUR CASE IN ORDER TO REVERT THE PRESIDENTS DECISION
TO THE ORIGINAL CAB RECOMMENDATION IN FAVOR OF PANAM.
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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC USA

DEAR MR PRESIDENT

PANAM EMPLOYEES IN THE NETHERLANDS ARE UNABLE COMPREHEND
YOUR DECISION TO GRANT TRAFFIC RIGHTS TO NATIONAL AND
MAYBE BRANIFF. THIS POLITICAL DECISION IS A SERIOUS

SET BACK FOR PANAM OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS RELATIVELY SMALL
DUTCH MARKET. YOUR DECISION MAY WELL ENTICE OTHER
EUROPEAN CARRIERS, SUBSIDIZED BY THEIR GOVERNMENTS,
TO TRY AND INCREASE FREQUENCIES AND OBTAIN RECIPROCAL
RIGHTS TO NEW US CITIES. ALL THESE ACTIONS SEVERELY DELUDE
EXISTING ALREADY IMBALANCED MARKET SHARES. ALL US
NEWCOMERS WILL GREATLY BENEFIT FROM PAINFULLY ESTABLISHED
GOODWILL PANAM EMPLOYEES EFFECTED DURING THE PAST.
WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW WE FEEL UTTERLY FRUSTRATED AND
HIGHLY DISAPPOINTED BY THE BEATING PANAM AND ITS
EMPLOYEES HAVE TO ENDURE CONSTANTLY. WE REQUEST YOU
URGENTLY TO RECONSIDER THE ORIGINAL CAB RECOMMENDATION
AND DECISION IN THE TRANS-ATLANTIC ROUTE CASE.
HAVE WE, MR PRESIDENT, LOST SO MANY EMPLOYEES FOR SO
LITTLE CONSIDERATION.
SIGNED PANAM EMPLOYEES IN THE NETHERLANDS.

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